

# SENATE BILL No. 506

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-13-2; IC 9-18-12.5.

**Synopsis:** Fleet vehicle registration. Establishes the fleet registration program (program) for Indiana residents who own or lease at least 10 motor vehicles or trailers. Provides that the bureau of motor vehicles shall administer the program.

**Effective:** July 1, 2015.

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January 14, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security & Transportation.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 9-13-2-66.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 3 1, 2015]: **Sec. 66.3. "Fleet operator" has the meaning set forth in**
- 4 **IC 9-18-12.5-1.**
- 5 SECTION 2. IC 9-13-2-66.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 6 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 7 1, 2015]: **Sec. 66.5. "Fleet vehicle" has the meaning set forth in**
- 8 **IC 9-18-12.5-2.**
- 9 SECTION 3. IC 9-13-2-118, AS AMENDED BY P.L.259-2013,
- 10 SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 11 JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 118. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b),
- 12 **and (c), and (d),** "operator", when used in reference to a vehicle, means
- 13 a person, other than a chauffeur or a public passenger chauffeur, who:
- 14 (1) drives or operates a vehicle upon a highway; or
- 15 (2) is exercising control over or steering a motor vehicle being
- 16 towed by another vehicle.



(b) "Operator", for purposes of IC 9-25, means a person other than a chauffeur who is in actual physical control of a motor vehicle.

(c) "Operator", for purposes of IC 9-18-2.5, means an individual who:

(1) operates; or

(2) is in actual physical control of;  
an off-road vehicle or snowmobile.

**(d) "Operator", for purposes of IC 9-18-12.5, has the meaning set forth in IC 9-18-12.5-3.**

SECTION 4. IC 9-18-12.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]:

**Chapter 12.5. Fleet Vehicle Registration**

**Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "fleet operator" means an operator who participates in the program.**

**Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "fleet vehicle" means a motor vehicle or trailer that is:**

(1) owned or leased by a fleet operator; and

(2) registered in the program under this chapter.

**Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "operator" means an Indiana resident who owns or leases ten (10) or more motor vehicles or trailers.**

**Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to the fleet registration program established under section 6 of this chapter.**

**Sec. 5. This chapter does not apply to a vehicle that is registered under:**

(1) a reciprocal agreement between the state of Indiana and another governmental entity; or

(2) the International Registration Program.

**Sec. 6. (a) The fleet registration program is established to accommodate requests from fleet operators for common registration dates for all fleet vehicles.**

**(b) The bureau shall administer the program.**

**(c) The bureau may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to administer the program.**

**Sec. 7. (a) An operator may apply to the bureau to participate in the program.**

**(b) An application must be in the form and manner prescribed by the bureau and must contain the following information:**

(1) The name and business address of the operator.

(2) The preferred expiration month requested by the operator.



1           (3) Certificates of title and registration for all fleet vehicles in  
2           the exact name of the operator.

3           (4) All counties in which the fleet vehicles are registered.

4           (5) Any other information required by the bureau.

5           (c) The bureau shall approve an application if the bureau is  
6           satisfied that the application is complete and accurate. Upon  
7           approval of the application, the bureau shall assign the fleet  
8           operator a fleet number.

9           (d) If an application does not contain a preferred expiration  
10          month, the bureau may:

11          (1) deny the application; or

12          (2) designate an expiration month and approve the  
13          application.

14          (e) An operator may not register a vehicle as a fleet vehicle in a  
15          county that is not designated in the application.

16          Sec. 8. (a) The department shall terminate the participation in  
17          the program of a fleet operator with fewer than ten (10) fleet  
18          vehicles.

19          (b) A fleet operator whose participation is terminated under  
20          subsection (a) may reapply for participation in the program in the  
21          manner determined by the department.

22          Sec. 9. A certificate of registration as a fleet vehicle under this  
23          chapter is valid for the twelve (12) month period designated on the  
24          certificate.

25          Sec. 10. The fee to register a vehicle as a fleet vehicle under this  
26          chapter is the applicable fee for the vehicle under IC 9-29-5.

27          Sec. 11. The bureau shall design a fleet license plate that  
28          designates a vehicle as a fleet vehicle. The design must include  
29          distinctive colors and graphics and the fleet number assigned  
30          under section 7(c) of this chapter. The design may not include  
31          years, months, or other indications of calendar dates. The design  
32          may indicate that the fleet license plate does not expire.

33          Sec. 12. A fleet vehicle is subject to all applicable laws, rules,  
34          and regulations for vehicles of the same type or class.

